

as far as I now know, we will not need an additional allowance. The family that we have taken in have not, and are not likely to add very much to the ordinary expense. Rice is the principal diet, and so far that has been given by Hall, & Ross Co., Montreal, who have their rice mills here. Then the Chinese food has been largely supplied by themselves and their friends. The two elder daughters expect to be married in February or March. The mother then, so she says, intends going to China with two of her children, leaving only the youngest with us in the Home. I have, therefore, not found it necessary to add to the expenses in much clothing or bedding.

This family needed protection, as far as we can find out, and we were glad to take them in, in hopes that they may find the way of life, and for the hold we are likely to retain upon the two married women and their husbands in the future. Then we would have taken them all in for the sake of securing a hold upon the little one. The older girls of this family understand a good deal of broken English, but are very untrained, especially in habits of cleanliness or neatness.

I do not think any religious or moral considerations brought them to the Home; they were in trouble and went to Mr. Gardiner for assistance, and the Home was their last resort. But we are hopeful that they will find more than they sought.

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